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Please accept the following comments on behalf of the U.S. Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program regarding the California Power Authority's Energy Resource Investment Plan.

The Federal Energy Management Program of the U.S. Department of Energy applauds your efforts to support the development of clean energy resources in California. We believe that low-cost financing can be critical to the success of clean energy projects that might otherwise be difficult to complete.

We are concerned, however, that the definition of public agencies -- "State and Local Government plus Schools" -- in the Draft Energy Resource Investment Plan (ERIP) does not include the Federal Government. With as much as 800 MW of peak demand, we are among the largest electricity consumers in the state and face many of the same financial constraints as State and Local Government organizations. We believe there may be significant opportunities for clean energy project development -- energy efficiency, renewable energy and demand management -- at federal sites and would encourage the California Power Authority to specifically include programs directed at federal customers in your final ERIP.

The Federal Energy Management Program will be happy to assist with the development of programs for federal customers in California. Please direct any concerns or questions regarding these comment to:

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